

REMARKS

Claims 60-64, 66, 67, 77, 79, 82-87, 90, 91, 119-132 and 134-162 are present in this application. Claims 1-59, 65, 68-76, 78, 81, 80, 88, 89, 92-118 and 133, 143-145 were previously cancelled. Claims 146-162 have been added.

Claim 77 has been amended to delete the definition of "n" because the variable "n" is not used in claim 77.

Newly added claim 146 relates to a method of preparing a dendritic polymer of claim 60. Support for these claims is found in the specification at least on page 13, line 1 - page 14, line 25. Newly added claims 147 and 148 relate to methods of preparing a dendritic polymer of claim 83. Support for these claims is found in the specification at least on page 15, line 26 - page 16, line 13. Newly added claims 149-154 relate to methods of preparing a dendritic polymer of claim 90. Support for these claims is found in the specification at least on page 17, line 9 - page 19, line 29. Newly added claims 155-160 relate to methods of preparing a dendritic polymer of claim 91. Support for these claims is found in the specification at least on page 17, line - page 19, line 29.

Newly added claims 161 and 162 related to methods of use of the composition of claim 60. Support for these claims is found in the specification on page 24, line 31 to page 25, line 1.

No new matter has been introduced as a result of the foregoing amendments.

The amendment to claim 77 was not proposed sooner because the error was not noted until after allowance. The newly added claims relate to methods of preparing dendritic polymers recited in specific claims and methods of use of the dendritic polymers of claim 60. The newly added claims were not presented earlier because the prosecution of claims related to the dendritic polymers required various amendments and these process claims are directed to methods of preparing and using the allowed compositions.

This amendment does not raise any new issues and thus is appropriate at this time. Entry is respectfully requested.

The amendment is needed to allow rejoinder of claims which had been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner in a restriction requirement.

The new claims require no additional search or examination because these claims are directed to methods of preparing or using specific dendritic polymers which were determined to be patentable in this application.

The new claims are patentable because they are directed to methods of preparing or using specific dendritic polymers which were determined to be patentable in this application.

Entry of the amendment to claim 77 and these new claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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